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FM AMEMBASSY KUALA LUMPUR

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TAGS: PINT, MY

SUBJ: KING'S WEDDING CANCELLED

REF: K.L. 3991

1. GROUP OF ONE-HUNDRED MALAYSIAN WOMEN CALLED ON PRIME MINISTER THIS AFTERNOON (AUG 28) TO PROTEST RUMORED IMPENDING MARRIAGE OF THE YANG DI-PERTUAN AGUNG TO MALAYSIAN BEAUTY QUEEN (REFTEL). GROUP CONSISTED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF RULING PARTY'S WOMEN'S WING (WANITA UMNO), ARMED FORCES OFFICERS AND NCO'S WIVES AND NATIONAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN. TWENTY-TWO OF WHOM OUR SOURCE WAS ONE, WERE ADMITTED TO SEE TUN RAZAK WHO ASSURED THEM WEDDING WAS OFF. SOME WOMEN DEMANDED HE MAKE PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT TO THAT EFFECT WHICH HE ANGRILY REFUSED TO DO.

2. COMMENT: SOMEWHAT TO EMBASSY'S SURPRISE, THERE HAS BEEN STRONG NEGATIVE REACTION AMONG MALAYS, BOTH MALE AND FEMALE, TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESUMABLY RELIABLE REPORTS KING WOULD MARRY ATTRACTIVE COMMONER

SEPTEMBER FOUR OR FIVE. REASONS FOR THIS APPEAR INCLUDE PEOPLE'S
AFFECTION FOR ATTRACTIVE, INTELLIGENT QUEEN, FACT THAT ANY HEIR PRODU
CED
WOULD NOT HAVE CLAIM TO THRONE, AND WIDELY HELD BELIEF PROPOSED
SECOND BRIDE WAS NOT A VIRGIN.
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